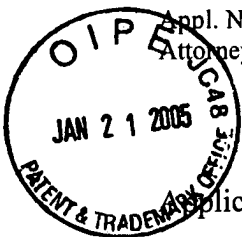


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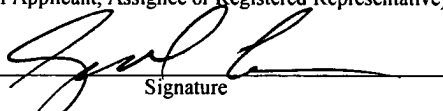
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

Amendments to the drawings begin on page 7 of this document and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 13.